



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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Pathak et al.

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Application No.: 10/010,715

Examiner: A. Mohamed

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For: BIOCOMPATIBLE CROSSLINKED POLYMERS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time of One (1) month from December 22, 2004 to January 22, 2005 within which to respond to the Final Office Action. The enclosed check in the amount of \$310.00 includes the extension fee. Applicant is entitled to small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

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